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Mr. Nyland: It's not that I don't want to give you a chance to ask questions. I have a feeling, and quite definitely I would say, a knowledge, of the level where your questions are and where they come from. I think it is far better that you make out of this total conglomeration of discussions which we have had, that you make some notes which you remember, that at times you start to think and ponder a little bit, to see how the relationships are and how they can still stay in your memory. I would ask you : make a little diary of the last week, and see with the aim perhaps of wanting to listen to some of the things we have talked about, that you will remember quite clearly only a few things, but sufficient for you to become more or less a guideline for your Work. Because for that reason I now want to finish what I was saying, and this gives an insight in what a man is, and also a hope of what he might become.

Because you see, we study this horoscope and we call it geocentric: the center is the earth. And logically, as I said, the body is that what determines not only this horoscope, but indicates the conditions under which we live in this life and how we as an ordinary entity are being influenced by the astrological signs. Wherever they are, we are functioning in accordance with the influence of such a law on us. Now, together with that, we see that certain planets are very definitely interested in a different kind of behavior and that they also start to emphasize that what we call. from our standpoint, the possibility of a spiritual nature. Of course, there is Neptune, Uranus, and of course, Vulcan or maybe Pluto. If there are planets of that kind which are quite ^{far} removed from our sun, they are not in what I call the pool of emotions which we considered some time ago at the Fa bridge,

or where it was necessary to overbridge that condition of chaos, and getting out of the totality of feelings and emotion one particular Wish, which Wish is: to grow up. When that wish of growing up is being entered into my chart of a geocentric horoscope, I start to produce as a center more and more that what I wish to reach as consciousness and conscience. At the Fa bridge I introduce the beginnings of a conscience, but when I go to the Sol - La - Si of that ray of creation or my development of phenomena up to scale to the Si - Do, then I introduce a concept of helio, that is, the sun becomes the center of my own world.

Historically, we know the difficulty between the so-called impression that we create because the sun is moving, and when it was found out that the sun was not moving and that we were moving, there was a tremendous furor, and people got killed for that. At the same time, it proved to be in accordance with later astrological and astronomical data, that that is the case. In exactly the same way, it will be the truth when we find out that in reality we are children of the sun and not of this earth. And that for the possibility of such development, the planets, which are now in general are banded together as perhaps having a spiritual influence on one, that they become more pronounced, and that in this attempt of wishing to grow and develop and to see what can become of a spiritual world, in the form, as we say, of a Kerdjanian body or perhaps a Soul body, that then gradually this so-called geo, this earth, is going to be replaced by what we say helio, sun, and then the horoscope becomes an entirely different kind of a horoscope. Because then it is based on the potentiality of a man in the direction of a spiritual development and gradually understanding the laws of a spiritual world.

Now, if that happens, and of course there is no reason why it shouldn't, because at a certain time I as a personality will say, "The hell with my body telling me all the time what I have to do". When I have belief in the potentiality of my mind developing into a supreme consciousness, then I must believe that whatever I feel with my solar plexus can find a proper place in my heart and then become the deepening emotion which involves and also makes room for God. Then I become an entirely different kind of a man. I'm not just an ordinary creature on earth. I become extra-ordinary from the standpoint of super-nature. And it is many times how Gurdjieff talks about that - the super-effort and super-nature. That what is not natural. What is natural belongs to the earth. But that what belongs to as beginnings to the planet, and very definitely what belongs to the center of our solar system, which could become a consciousness - naturally when that starts to govern us, I become an entirely different man. So in order to understand first what is the value of a geocentric astrology, it only can give me a state of affairs as it is. This is what I wish to find out when I start Work on myself. I want to know that I am in existence, and I want to accept that what I am without describing it further. Because that will mean the facts of this earth become apparent to me and I accept them from an earthly standpoint as a Truth.

Now I wish to grow up. I am grateful for the information that Mother Nature has given. I leave to her whatever her duty is for herself and I start to stand on my own feet and gradually learn to understand how to substitute the sun for the earth in my horoscope, and then living more and more under the laws of a spiritual development, including the influences which I now know exist as far as Uranus and Pluto and Neptune is concerned, that then is an entirely different aspect of myself, but this time it becomes my spiritual existence.

What does it really mean? I don't want my body any longer in the way it is when it becomes too possessive. I want to be able to develop an emotional language so that my Kerdjianian body can speak without the aid of my body. And I want my mind to become so conscious that the different thought forms in there become Awareness understanding, free from all kind of interpretations or associations of the past in an ordinary astrological sense. I want to have freedom in my heart from the different planets which now belong to my ordinary life and which are represented in my ordinary horoscope. But I want to have an extraordinary horoscope, which is now designed by God.

Try to see it that way. Because if we say: I want to Work, I want to create an 'I', which is not of this world, but quite definitely has a property, a characteristic, of something that is of a higher nature and I call it, for the lack of a better word, objective, because all I mean by that, it is non-subjective so it's not earthly. Sometimes I can say it is a heavenly entity that happens to come down to earth because this is the way I create it. I don't want to be satisfied by just having to talk to heaven. Even if I may have a telephone, I am not quite sure that God is coming down. Moreover, if He does come down, I am not sure that He is willing to accept me. So I find what I call a mediator. I call it 'I'. In Christianity, it's 'Jesus Christ', and that what is described^s as method is Christ itself, not Jesus. He was only that messenger bringing it. When we talk about Objectivity, and a method to develop something that becomes a value to one for a further development of an emotional body and a soul body, we talk about a method as given by Christ as delivering us from the evil of earth. That's all we want. Because that means if we are delivered from that, then we are free. And it's exactly the same principle, because I say I cannot do all this on my own, and I cannot go direct to God. It is true: this body cannot immediately make a

Consciousness. It is inspired because the Consciousness as existing will start to influence me and will create in me a wish to grow up and to become that what is my Consciousness, But before that, the step is a Kesdjanian - emotional body. I said the other day: for whichever it's settled, 1-3-2, 2 is my emotional body, that's Kesdjan. But then when I live there, that becomes my number 1; then I go up to 4, in order to reach 3, and 3 is what I wish, that is the continuation of my life by means of a Soul. And all throughout, I use a method, which means deliverance, which means atonement, which means of course at-one-ment, that ^{what} ~~which~~ creates unity within me, that what makes me as it were whole, the wholeness being my health, psychological as well as physical, and the possibility then of using whatever is available, for the purpose constantly of building and building and building, manufacturing out of my unconscious existences everything that is possible as it were for a brick, to build up a building in which then God could come if He wanted to live. And He comes by and my Kesdjanian body is half built, and it is not even furnished, and maybe the roof leaks. He says you must continue a little longer because the Kesdjanian body is indicative of the condition of your Soul. I don't even want to look at your Soul yet, because it's only Do-Re-Mi. Your Soul is not really born yet, because the Do-Re-Mi of the Soul is just a period of gestation. It is not as yet born. It's conceived - it's quite right, quite right - it is conceived because of the desire to create the additional function for Kesdjanian body as Sol-La-Si.

I hope you understand the three body diagram. I hope you have it so clear in your mind that you can use it and have the ability on your part to visualize it. Because that is the kind of thing that you have to have - that kind of clarity - so that you know you recognize at what particular state you are, what kind of a man you are, I talked about that the other day: to see what is it that you have of your own

self-knowledge so that when that knowledge is there and is truthful, you don't have to fool yourself.

We make mistakes because we are so stupid, because we always will assume that things are just a little bit different and if possible a little bit better. We always want to love ourselves, at the expense of Truth. It's idiotic, if you want to make sure that that what you are building on is going to last, so that, as we say, rain and snow and whatever there is of torrents or maybe thunderstorms are not going to destroy that foundation. That is why we say we build on a rock. Why a rock? It has no life, so it doesn't have to move. And for that reason, the building of that, I say building blocks, to make a house - for what? Who's going to live in it? And what is the furniture? And the decoration? I say, Kesdjan is beautiful for me to withdraw a little bit, but I know it is only a little bit of a scaffold. It is not yet really a house. It 's only temporary, a means of climbing up the ladder to the Do-Re-Mi of Soul. See that body diagram. You know, the lower part of Kesdjan belongs to the earth body. The upper part of Kesdjan belongs to the Soul body. And it is that kind of combination so that then the physical body with the Soul body on top can remain straight, vertical.

Again, understand these questions of verticality. We live on this earth on a horizontal plane. We make all kind of adjustments, but staying horizontal. All kind of functions of the mind and the feeling remain so that we don't even have the chance to get off this earth. We don't lift ourselves up and nothing is helping us to lift ourselves up. But we continue to be very busy, and making all kind of adjustments and rearrangements, and all of it, as long as the plane of this earth in our life is concerned, it hasn't even any height. It all remains unconscious states. Some desire for a little bit more than others,

but all of them have exactly the same quality: to be unconscious.

Now we introduce something like what we say: heliocentric possibilities. It means that there is a line to be erected on this platform and that from there we want to be able to get off this earth, to get up, as it were to be able to fly away or to ascend to heaven. Or at least to erect something that points towards that, so that when that becomes noticed, that God will say, "Somebody is trying to reach me".

That is the vertical line. Then we climb up that vertical line, with notches of Do-Re-Mi, Fa, Sol-La-Si, and at Si-Do of that line God is. Or He says, "Don't come up all the way. I will come down half-way. At the point where you have started, really to become cognizant of the particular task that you have to fulfill, at that point I will give you a helping hand. You have to do Work before; that is required. You even may have to die on the cross, because you will have to lose your selfishness; because you cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven unless you are free from the bombast of your unconscious life, and particularly from that what is demanding as far as your physical body is concerned. But, at the same time, when you get that far, and I see that your Kerdjianian body is going to be finished sometime when you continue to Work, then I will pay attention to you, and I will give you encouragement. I won't live with you as yet. Because Kerdjan is not enough for me." That is God saying, with His wisdom, that that requires more than just Kerdjan, more than just feeling, more than emotion. Emotion is the beginning only. The Soul is, I won't say the end, and then only if you could see it as the end of the development of self-knowledge. It is a connection between that what is self-knowledge and the higher forms of living in the form of cosmic.

But, don't let's talk about it. We're interested in development

of a Soul in the right way so that the verticalness is maintained and that the scaffold assures us that the direction of the Soul is the same as the verticality of the physical body. That is why when one stands up and you wish in prayer maybe to hope that you can be heard, you stand there with arms outstretched and your head up, looking at the sky. You lift yourself up on the toes of your feet, as high as you can make yourself. And then you know you cannot do more than that. And all that comes out of your mouth is a sigh, a wishing to grow, or a wanting to have wings.

Your Kesdjanian body will start to make wings for you, but it is not as yet capable of being near the sun. You know that. There was Daedalus who tried that, and he fell in the Aegean Sea, because the sun melted the wax. The wax was still Mother Nature. It was not as yet heliocentric. It did not have the quality of spirit. And so the building of the Kesdjanian body is only a limitation to indicate how one should build. And with that knowledge, you build your Soul . Because then the selflessness comes to the foreground, and that what is important in the emphasis remains more and more with God. And one Works because one wishes for the glory of the Lord. And there is nothing then that ought to be left of the crystallizations of unconsciousness. And nothing should be left of any particular desire of being acknowledged or respected. One becomes like a child, and a child can enter through the eye of a needle ^{to} in the Kingdom of Heaven. And one sees that for oneself, and one says, Yes, I need Kesdjan, because after all, I have to have a language with which I can talk with God and I know He wpn't come down to earth like that. He can send a messenger for me. If I wish, I could even ask for it: to create, I say that is my 'I', and I dedicate that to the possibility of God helping me, and then what is it to the extent that what I can do in such creation. All I

can do is to create a form because I don't really know anything about my life. And moreover, my life is bound by my form, and I cannot separate it out. So I make, as it were, a shell. I say that is the possibility I created somewhere, and I wish -- it is like a bowl, in which I now would like God to pour life for me, and then, if it is there, then I say, "That is an 'I'; it can start to function". I must make the attempt in creating that bowl to the best of my ability. I have to give and put everything that I can of the highest quality of an unconscious nature, in the scale, so that I am willing, even to the extent, I say, "I will die for that Aim". And I must mean that, in sincerity, because if I don't look at it that way, what good is it to try to become in that sense objective and perhaps even holy and sacred, and what would be the use of asking God in prayer to come and visit when I have not as yet made a proper place in my heart for Him.

Kesdjanian body is just the beginning of a house. I live in it to be able sometimes to withdraw from this world. Then I come to myself and the real Self of myself is through the road passing my emotions, the deep-seated emotions, reaching that what is my magnetic center. The beginning of the glimpses of magnetic center I can find in Kesdjan, but I will not find the reality there. And in that kind of meditation of contemplating the condition what I am in reality, I will see what may be the potentiality of reaching something higher, as if as I say I could have wings to fly away, or to build a Soul, so that then the scaffolds can be removed. I don't need it anymore when the Soul comes to the point of Mi, and then has to face the possibility of overbridging its own Fa.

That is the building which I then wish for my Soul to occupy. That is the place where I feel that I might even invite God to come because I have demonstrated that there is a certain possibility of

architecture, which I understand in conformity to the condition of my life. And God can recognize that at that point it doesn't matter very much anymore if I live or not live on this earth. Because my life is not attached to it any longer. And whatever that state is that I then either visualize or perhaps even experience, it is quite definitely a state of freedom. And now I see Work in an entirely different light, because it leads up gradually to the formation of something that of course is of more value, and that is the only way by which I can free myself from the conditions of this earth and perhaps even could assume that I need not re-occur or definitely not have to re-incarnate, because with my Soul I may have opportunities which I don't have with any part of my earthly body. It is as if a prayer is listened to and heard and then God visits the edifice of the Soul.

How will I make that, if I actually could prepare for it? Will I put a chair there? Or maybe a little bed or a cot? Or should I put a rug on the floor? Should I paint it? And what color would be available for God? Do I want a mirror in the room? Do I want some books? Do I want to, as it were, show off? Do I wish to keep the door open? Do I ask God to have a key if I lock it? Would I ask Him to knock on the door? Will I be there within and hoping that He might come? And all such considerations will have to take place. I have to consider what would it be if actually heaven could appear on earth. That is Kerdjan. But then, when heaven could appear within me, that is my Soul. And what would happen when that takes place, and what would be my attitude towards that higher force of life existing, which I wish to communicate with, and being in the Presence, I know that all that what is my own, and what comes from Mother Nature, and what is still selfish in certain ways, all of that has to be left behind. Maybe, I say, for that reason I will die. Because sometimes

it's quite impossible to die to oneself, even a thousand deaths a day. I may not be able to accomplish what ought to be accomplished, because I can say I am free. And maybe, the fact that I die on this earth could be an indication that I then, once and for all, am free from the geocentric configuration of my horoscope.

You see, one enters into a different kind of world, hoping with the aid of God, and quite definitely understanding the guidance of an 'I', representing to us that which is the spirit of God, but not as yet the Being. We have to wait until that Being actually can come and we are considered worthy for even associating or even praying to it. And at such a time, there is no further question about furniture. I don't care. I don't care how naked the walls are. I don't care about books very much anymore. I would almost say, "I've read one, I've read all of them". I don't care about the door locking or not locking. There are no more secrets. I open the door; I even say, "Take the door off". Because when God comes by, I will wish to hear the rustling of His clothes as He passes. I will want to know if, at that time, I could manage to listen carefully to the breath as He goes by my house. I wished that at that time when He comes by, I will be notified by my Awareness, which then will include the totality of all things existing everywhere and always, wishing then that because of that I will be spirited to the extent that I ~~will~~ say, "This must be my God. I will worship Him. I will become as much as I can part. He will never pass me by when I am honest."

These perspectives, I really mean them. They are, of course, religiously^U expressed, or maybe a little emotional. And it is that kind of idea that I would like to convey. I am serious about Work, because it means life for me. That is why I talk about it in the way I do, and hope then that it will fall on some kind of a fertile soil,

so that you can extract something from it, and you have the wish to make a garden. You must make a garden of Eden with the seeds that you receive from Gurdjieff. You must try to plant, as well as you can, not only leaving it to the earth, but depending on the sun. Otherwise, you will not have a garden. But your soil, which is the Earth, has to be prepared, and that means labor, working in the vineyard of the Lord. It means constantly weeding, which means a development of something, eliminating the wishes of the body, so that then the wish of a Keshdjanian body can continue to exist and will not be killed by the weeds. And it means attending to the plant when it grows up, because that is the only way by which the soil can profit ultimately from that what is growing, by means of the sun shining and giving energy and then the development of the plant growing up into a fruit, first the blossom. The beginnings of the blossom is like a Soul blossoming out. The fruit is the totality of a Soul body. Then whatever that fruit may be, it is ready to be used again and again, if necessary, if for the purpose even of the glory of God, to have to return to this earth, as we call it reincarnation. It doesn't matter anymore. It can even become a messenger from above, telling mankind: "Wake up! Wake up!" because it is necessary that you understand the purpose and the aim of your life. And maybe if you could understand it, it will help you to become a man; more and more, if you can, in equilibrium, more and more within yourself, at ease or peaceful; and then to be in reality that what you should be and should have been, perhaps even long ago could have been if you only had seen the limitations of your unconsciousness.

The discovery of that what is still limited, the discovery of the obstacles that are in the way, perhaps the way one has been conceived. At that moment of life entering into a form belonging to earth, in

which parents were simply instrumental, to what extent that particular moment was a critical point in the life of such a man later on growing up to become a man on earth, through his infancy, but through the conception as a child, periods of, of course, a germination period of that what is necessary for a fuller development before it actually could face the earth itself. Maybe it came with a purpose. Maybe it came with an understanding of what ought to be done. Maybe it came at the time quite definitely selecting the conditions of wishing to be born in a certain way so that that what became ^{the} ~~to~~ circumstances of one's life will give a man a chance to see himself. And maybe because of that, understanding that what he is, he will be able to eliminate, in accordance with his own laws of his own karma, that what is in the way towards his freedom.

Look at your life on earth, if it possibly could be the last time you have to appear. Because what would be the necessity of coming back to this earth all the time and fighting with Mother Nature? If you wish to Work, I think, the possibility exists that within this lifetime you can uncover many obstacles. And that when there is a sincere wish. that can be that kind of a hope, I say sometimes, "I want to get through, God damn it, once and for all, with that what binds me to my unconsciousness." That is a prayer that one has because, regardless of what I experience, and regardless of what even I say-- What is it? Hah?

Voice: Nothing.

Mr. Nyland: Oh. Regardless of what I say may be given to me as suffering, I don't want to believe in the necessity of such suffering when I cannot believe at the same time that there is a result which I can expect. When I wish to become a man, I then put my sun in the center of my horoscope, and I determine, because of that, the direction

of my karma, because I learn more and more what it is to be bound, and I learn also of how to undo such knots.

This is the ^{decision} ~~direction~~ I think a person must come to when he wishes to become a man and stand on his own feet. In the presence of the Lord, and telling Him, "That is what You have told me. Now, if it isn't right, it's not my fault, because I've lived in accordance with the letter of the law." And of course He must understand that. That even if you didn't understand quite what was the letter, that the intention was, without any question, a hundred percent to wish to sacrifice whatever may be needed and even quite willing to be killed for the purpose in order to live.

When one once and for all sees this necessity, inherent in what a man should become, and when we say, to become harmonious, when it means that he has to develop whatever is within his means and is possible for him provided he just keeps on wishing and knowing, seeing that that what is possible is ahead of him and not to despair, but to keep on being active in the vineyard of the Lord, tilling the soil and taking care of the flowers, and taking away the weeds which are in the way. All of that, logically, with sunshine, with the condition of the earth itself, the soil, with every once in a while the necessity of giving it, the other, let's say, of the three Aristotelian elements: enough air, enough water, and porosity of the Soul - soil - Soul is right. That then the plants will grow, and what one produces oneself in tending is a fire. That is the strength given to the growth of the plant, and that becomes, under the influence of the sun, the heat necessary for the formation of a fruit - first the blossom, then the fruit, then the seeds again within the fruit itself.

You see what takes place? You make something, and you see it grow, and you say "it is right", and you say then "maybe"; and then you say,

"I don't know". Then you pray to God to give the plant you have started sunshine, maybe rain from the sky, maybe purity of air. And you bend down toward, you build, you will want to give from your life. When you have cold hands, suitable for certain plants, when you have warm hands, suitable for other plants, but what will make a plant or a flower grow is your desire, your wish, and your care - then the plant will grow. That I call the fire, that comes from you and your willing to give to the plant. Because the plant after all is a question of your own creation. The dedication regarding life has to be emphasized for a man that he wants to reach that what is not of this earth, and an understanding of the bondage first, for then the loosening up gradually in order to be able to replace it with a new form, I say Awareness, a new set of laws, a new condition of density, a more ethereal lightness of the Soul, a possibility of a creation of wings to go up to heaven when the body is not worth very much anymore.

I'm going back to the East Coast, as you know. Tomorrow by this time, I hope to be there, thanks to the flying ability. And then when I am on the plane, and I try to recall what we have done during the week, and the different people I have seen, I also will remember that you will have many troubles, and that it is not easy to change oneself overnight and that there will be among many of you still jealousies and fights for a different kind of position, and an unwillingness to let your selfishness go, and the constant influences of all kind of forms of behavior on the part of yourself, because one says: you are human, and you live in accordance with the natural law. And I will see that, I would let it pass by in review, and I will say, I hope that it can be understood in the proper light, and that there will be enough for some people to be able to remind each other to see that this kind of cooperation among us is really quite essential, so that you have to overcome the different things which are in the way, and perhaps

even would want to pray for it. But you see, the prayer is not enough. It is the doing actually, the being what you should become. And the striving towards that, not fearing, not even feelingness, not even feeling, not even well-meaningness, just the showing of that what you are as the expression of your personality, indicating that there is a fire burning within you, which sometimes comes flowing out, or can be, let's say, distributed by means of your eyes when they light up, because of something taking place within you at times when maybe you are affected by the beauty and the wonderful existences of an outer world, spiritual, which perhaps by some people who we call remarkable can be given, to be listened to, as in music, to be seen, as in art, to be given as an example of life itself.

(Is this the second side? One side...turn it off.)

I want to say just a little more of that; I hope you don't get too tired. Life is most beautiful when your eyes can be opened, when you can appreciate even intentions, even if such intentions are not entirely corresponding to a result. Always see where is a person's motivation, his willingness to try to talk, and only ending up with a little stammering, but such desire to express that what is holy within him, and simply using a couple of forms to do it. Of course, most beautiful if such a person has the technique of actually giving and is not hampered by anything of a material form so that the spiritual value of that kind of communication simply goes already through and and does not pay any attention to any particular kind of form, because let's say technique, when one plays piano or a cello, what is it when that fire is burning within, and when that what one plays produces within a person who is playing, the possibility of becoming a channel through which God and His love and His life is flowing, for the benefit of those who happen to hear it.

Try to look at life as being full of little opportunities, like a clear sky particularly in the winter is filled with little bits of stars, which of course from the distance, look very little, so many light years away, even the nearest is four and a half light years - almost impossible even to imagine. And of course, when you do come to them, and you are there, it is quite different because they really have substance. And so what we consider as the little points of light within ourselves - our attempts to wake up, our attempts to live in accordance with the rules of conscience, our attempts to try to find the proper relationship between two people, or sometimes as a group - all of that may look in the beginning very small; sometimes perhaps it doesn't look as if it is worthwhile. I would like to tell you: pursue everything that indicates the possibility of - you never can tell how it can grow. Always trying to give the benefit of the doubt to that what doesn't seem to have any potentiality. You will be surprised how much more potentiality there is even compared to the actualities of what we sometimes call our own reality. That what is for a man is first the imagination of conception. Then the wish to change that conception into the actuality of an embryo. Then his desire to create conditions for the growth of that what is embryonic into a full-grown-ness of being affected. And lastly, to make that what has been developed and is now ready for its prime task: that it will become a channel through which all wisdom from God and all love from mankind will go, meeting within a man, and then producing in that kind of a man, the possibility of not only even understanding, but such wish for unity, the seeing that what is important, and to wish to let go all the little nonsense, I say of jealousy, and of anger, and of wastes of energy, and of negativity, and to put in its place simplicity of purpose, a desire to remain honest and not hypocritical, and such wish for actually remaining that what one is

in such simplicity without wishing to have any further acknowledgement and only the knowledge of the fact that life exists everywhere, always, in all times, and without limit. With other words: What is eternity? It is now.

So, I wish you a good stay. I'll hear from you. I hope you can Work. I hope, quite honestly, that you can love each other. Good night.